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# At couple's Echo Ranch ministry, horses help heal

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orses have helped shape cultures across the world — from battlefield soldiers to farm work, for transportation or recreation. And for horse lovers, the human-animal bond can be a deep and comforting connection. One couple has used that bond to help people heal through their nonprofit Echo Ranch.

In 2011, Dorine and Jake Nickerson profit ministry. At the time, the Nicker were visiting a friend who had a severe alcohol addic-

tion. He was recovering on a rehabilitation farm in a remote country setting. "It was such a peaceful

and serene place; a perfect setting for healing to take place. Part of the residents' responsibilities were to care for erty, but nothing we found was right. We the animals that were living on the farm, which included pigs, cows and chickens," Nickerson said.

"I grew up on a farm with every kind of animal, including horses, and I under-

stood the responsibility of caring for animals. The connection with my childhood horse and the power of its ability to soothe the wounds of my broken heart forever impacted me."

After visiting their friend, Nickerson started brainstorming how she could pair her love of horses and use their ability to calm others in the form of a non-

sons were living in a residential Gresham neighborhood with no ability to care for a horse. After prayer and discussion, the Nickersons listed their home in order to

purchase a farm and start their ministry. "We spent months looking for a prop-

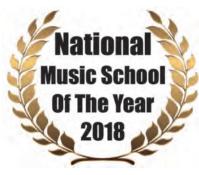
wanted to be located near our church and community. In 2012, our church,

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In a letter to Echo Ranch, Megan Bartlett (left) wrote "I knew from the start I wanted to work with abused horses. When I first came to Echo Ranch. I felt nervous but it was very hard to overcome my fears. But when I came back, I felt grown up and definitely improving more than when I first started."











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# **Echo** Ranch

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Abundant Life, purchased the 72-acre property, which we currently lease to operate Echo Ranch," Nickerson said.

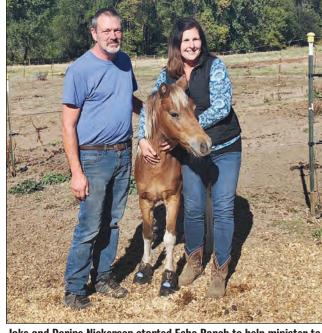
"The property and house had been neglected and abandoned for years. There was garbage everywhere, and the blackberries and weeds had taken over the place. We knew that this is where we were supposed to be," she

Thus began the long journey of rehabbing the house, the barns and the surrounding land while starting their ministry.

about this land. It's peaceful and serene, perfect for healing and perfect for restoration of the soul," Nickerson

14 horses. Three are foster horses, four are boarded for loved by God who has an others, and seven have been amazing plan and purpose for adopted by Echo Ranch. The their life," Nickerson said. couple has helped hundreds of people, between age 3 and to connect with a horse, will own difficult journeys, they 80, for free. Guests are partnered with a horse, some of groom or just pet a specially which have been abused or neglected, for healing thera-

on care, groundwork, brush- said. ing and grooming, tacking up,



Jake and Dorine Nickerson started Echo Ranch to help minister to people with the healing comfort of their horses.

"There is just something guest to assess their level of comfort. She then tailors their future sessions to their specific needs and abilities.

guest at our ranch the aware-Currently, Echo Ranch has ness that they are a unique and irreplaceable person, irreplaceable person."

"Each guest, who desires have the opportunity to ride, selected equine partner. They will also be paired with a mentor in a one-on-one ses-Many guests suffer from sion. Through these experi-PTSD, physical or emotional ences, our guests will learn to trauma, addiction or have trust and grow in faith and has been employed for 38 mental illness. Each person confidence as they work with gets a 90-minute session with and build a partnership with her time to Echo Ranch, Dothe horse where they focus the horse and mentor," she rine resigned a year ago from

and riding. Nickerson spends married 35 years, having met as the senior pastor's assisextra time with each new as teenagers. Because of their tant.

"Our desire is to offer each guest at our ranch "Our desire is to offer each the awareness that they are a unique and

— Dorine Nickerson

feel a deep compassion to help and understand others' and provide a way to heal in a nonjudgmental environment.

Besides his duties with the nonprofit, Jake works for Inyears. In order to dedicate Abundant Life Church after The Nickersons have been more than 12 years serving



PHOTO CREDIT: SHELLEY MCFARLAND Echo Ranch has 14 horses. Three are fosters, four are boarders, and seven have been adopted by the ranch.

no paid employees. It is oper- one notable occasion, Nickated completely by volunteers, the Nickersons and one board member, Mike Hiveley. The work is end-

"During the week, I work with mentoring the guests, teaching them horse handling and riding. I also keep up with daily chores such as stall cleaning and horse training. In addition, I work with our event coordinator, Amber Hillstrom, to plan events that typically happen on the weekend," Nickerson

from his day job, he usually asks 'what needs to be fixed today?' Horses are extremely hard on everything. If there is something to break, whatever needs to be fixed, stacks hay and finishes chores I didn't get to."

The hard work, time and dedication the Nickersons have spent building Echo undeniable." Ranch has been worth the sacrifices when they see the it: www.echo-ranch.org

Currently, Echo Ranch has healing of their guests. On erson was working with a sex-industry survivor who was paired with Sonny, a horse who had been abused and mishandled. In a powerful moment, the survivor could recognize the signs of trauma in Sonny's eyes and associated his fear to her own. She explained to Nickerson that she felt the same way Sonny felt.

"I wish I could put into words, with enough emphasis, the amazing connections I've witnessed between some of our guests and the "When Jake gets home horses at Echo Ranch. Often when I meet someone, I get a sense from God about which horse I should pair them with," Nickerson said. "We have horses who have expeternational Paper, where he they'll break it. Jake repairs rienced abuse and trauma, and some of our guests have experienced their own difficulties and trauma. The powerful connection between the horse and guest is

For more information, vis-

### THE HORSES:

Sonny is an Arabian in his early 20s that was mishandled and abused for the majority of his life. Because of the abuse, Sonny has major fear and trust issues. Even though it's slow-going, he has come a long way in his time at Echo Ranch. He loves and thrives doing work with guests who visit Echo Ranch.

Baby Hope is a 10-month-old filly quarter horse that was born at Echo Ranch. Her mom was pregnant and running wild with a herd of horses who were getting on the highway at the time of her rescue. She is a sweet girl who loves to snuggle.

#### LICORICE

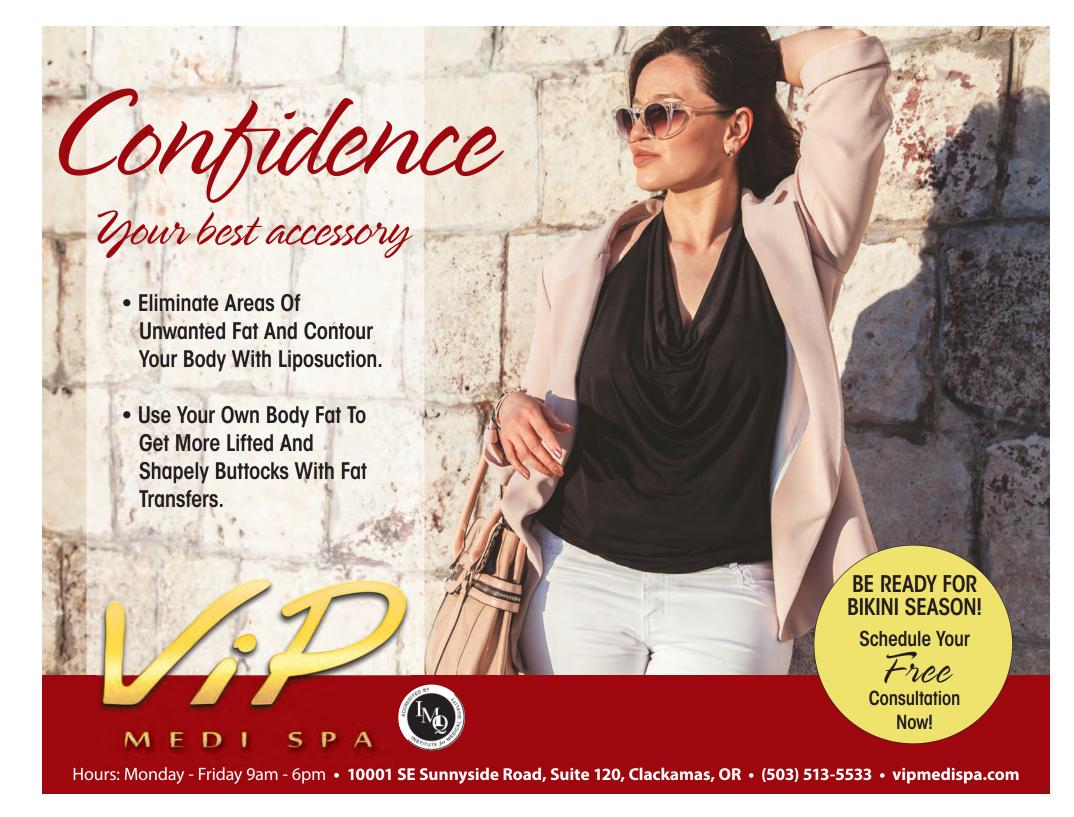
Little Licorice, a mini Welsh, was used and abused as a rodeo pony. He, too, has major fear and trust issues but is slowly learning to embrace his new life. The goal with Licorice is to be able to take him to nursing homes to let him visit with people who aren't able to come out to the ranch.

#### **OUINNIE**

Quinnie is a spotted saddle horse, that was neglected and starving when she was rescued. She, along with 20 other horses, were living in mud up to their knees and eating toxic weeds to survive. Because of those conditions, her liver and intestines were damaged, and she has ongoing health issues. In spite of her physical ailments, she is the sweetest and friendliest horse at Echo Ranch.

#### **FRENCHIE**

This spotted saddle horse was rescued from the same herd as Quinnie, but she also was pregnant. Even though she was a baby herself, she was able to give birth to a healthy filly who was immediately adopted. Frenchie, too, had some health issues but has been able to overcome most of them. Other than her stunted growth from starvation and pregnancy, she has become the perfect little riding horse for children who visit Echo



# Usher in autumn with harvest activities, Halloween events

### BY SHELLEY MCFARLAND

s the temperature dips in the valley, wrap a scarf around your neck, grab your favorite flannel shirt and a pumpkin-spiced coffee, and head outside to enjoy the changing leaves, the smell of wood smoke, and the crisp fall air. Autumn has arrived, and with it, harvest events.

### **Harvest Fest**

The City of Happy Valley presents fun-filled festivals throughout the year. Harvest Fest is a community celebration of everything autumn. Event features include wagon rides, a petting zoo, pumpkin patch, face painting, performances, a pie-eating contest, pumpkin painting and much more. The family-friendly event is from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at Happy Valley Park, 13700 S.E. Ridgecrest

### **Pumpkin patches** and farms

In a sea of bright orange and white pumpkins, there are thousands to choose from at numerous farms around the valley. Pumpkin patches are flush with this season's crop. Support your local farmers and experience a farm adventure to pick out a gorgeous gourd.

- OLSON FARMS: 22255 S.E. Borges Road, Damascus, will feature free horse-drawn hayrides from Cowboy Carriage, a caterpillar barrel train, an apple slingshot, plus pumpkins galore.
- LIEPOLD FARM: 14480 S.E. Richey Road, Boring, is a favorite

corn maze will delight adults and children alike. Other attractions include the apple-pult, a hay maze, hayrides, a dead-end challenge, children's pavilion and kid-size wheelbarrows for little ones to push into the pumpkin patch to find their gourd. There also is a retail store and The Owl Bistro for food and local beer on tap.

**■ BUSHUE FAMILY FARM:** 9880 S.E. Revenue Road, Boring, will feature pig-themed cart rides, a tractor-driven hayride, pumpkin bowling, farm ani-

mals and two different kid's play areas: one for older kids, one for little ones.

■ MR. TREE: 8560 S.E. 172nd Ave., Happy Valley, offers hayrides, a corn maze and thousands of bright pumpkins close to home.

### **Haunted houses**

■ The Milwaukie-Portland Elks Lodge, 13121 S.E. McLoughlin Blvd., Milwaukie, is host to Fear Asylum, a two-story, 25,000-squarefoot haunted hospital that will

scare everyone. Not intended for children under 12 years old, the building features haunted rooms, terrifying jump scares and spooky hallways with zombies, ghouls and murderous clowns. All proceeds support the Elks organization, which donates greatly to the community.

■ WENZEL FARMS: 19754 S. Ridge Road, Oregon City, features a Halloween Fantasy trail aimed for all ages. Walk the spooky trail through a haunted castle, suspension bridge, a crooked house, tunnels and mazes with festive scenes of fall displayed throughout.

■ DAVIS GRAVEYARD: 8703 S.E. 43rd Ave., Milwaukie, where kids will witness the ghoulish scene of a graveyard filled with clever headstones, special effects and spooky music.

### Trick-or-treat

■ If you want to contain little kids while trick-or-treating on Halloween night, then head over to Clackamas Town Center mall, 12000 S.E. Sunnyside Road, Happy Valley. Many store employees, some costumed themselves, will hand out candy for a fun and rainless night. The free event is intended for children 12 years old and younger. No face masks, painted faces or toy weapons, please. From 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31.

■ From 3 to 5 p.m. on Halloween, the Happy Valley Library, 13793 S.E. Sieben Park Way, will host a Monster Mash. Bring your kids in costume to trick-or-treat at the library, decorate a bag and go on a ghost hunt.

### Storytime

- Barnes & Noble Booksellers is offering a Halloween-themed storytime for toddlers at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31. The event includes a craft project and small treat. Barnes & Noble is at Clackamas Town Center, 12000 S.E. Sunnyside Road, Happy Valley.
- Join Brad Storysong at the Happy Valley Library from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16, as he tells slightly spooky stories and sings creepy songs.



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# Citizen Advisory Committee for the Pleasant Valley / North Carver Plan

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selecting candidates to serve on a variety of our volunteer committees. Last month, I was honored to choose a handful of individuals to serve on the Citizen Advisory Committee for the Pleasant Valley / North Carver Comprehensive Plan. We received 37 applications

and it was difficult to narrow it down. The purpose of this Citizen Advisory Committee will be to guide our team in the future plans for the eastern part of Happy Valley. What will the Pleasant Valley / North Carver areas look like in 20 years? How can we ensure it becomes a safe, walkable, and smart addition to Happy Valley? What roads will be needed? Are there other community amenities that we need? These questions, as well as many more will be explored by the committee. I'm excited to see what they envision.

The Pleasant Valley/North Carver Plan is being put together by the City of Happy Valley following the disincorporation of

Damascus in 2016. Since then, numerous Committee. property owners representing over 1,000 acres of land adjacent to Happy Valley's eastern city limits submitted petitions to an-

develop a comprehensive plan with the pyvalleyor.gov or 503-783-3839.

Advisory Committee. Much of the work will address future zoning, additional school needs, protection of natural resources, provision of parks, roads, transit, water, sewer, and other infrastructure. In recent years, community members have expressed the need for: viable industrial/employment

lands; adequate commercial lands; a grid-system based town center area; variety of housing options; trails; recreation facilities and open space preservation; connective roads; and guidelines for community

While growth presents challenges, this land is already in the Urban Growth Boundary. Including this area in our comprehensive planning efforts provides all of us a voice to shape the future of this new part of our community. The Planning Commission and City Council will rely heavily on input from property owners, community members, special districts, and the Citizen Advisory

We anticipate the planning process to take up to two years. If you have any questions, please contact Michael D. Walter, AICP, the City's Economic and Community Now, it's the responsibility of the City to Development Director at michaelw@hap-



# **PARKS UPDATE**

One of the questions we keep getting in the public is for an update on the City's withdrawal from the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD). In September, the Tax

Court ordered the Oregon Department of Revenue to approve the City's withdrawal from NCPRD. As a result, Happy Valley is out of NCPRD. We are

excited the City is one step closer to becoming the parks and recreation provider for Happy Valley. Clackamas County has consistently offered to support a smooth

transition in parks services. However, the County has filed another lawsuit against the City in Circuit Court that could prevent the City from becoming the parks provider, again. The City is hopeful the County will drop this most recent opposition and allow us to settle all remaining disputes. This would allow the City to best serve the residents of Happy Valley while providing financial certainty to the rest of the district.

Many residents have also expressed questions about what this will mean for taxes. With this recent decision, it assures that Happy Valley properties will not be double-taxed. The County has indicated they will honor the Tax Court's decision and not tax Happy Valley properties. At the same time, the voters of Happy Valley

overwhelmingly approved a parks levy indicating the community's support for the City to manage the parks and recreation programs. Accordingly, the City will begin collecting the parks levy which is the same tax rate as previously charged by NCPRD

(\$0.54 per \$1,000 of assessed value). This ensures tax dollars stay right here in Happy Valley. The City is also collecting system development charges (SDCs) from new developments to pay for future park assets. We look forward to developing recreation programs and building more parks for all our residents.

If anyone has questions, please contact Ben Bryant at 503-783-3840 or benb@happyvalleyor.gov.





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# What's edible, orange and



Gary Kristensen poses with his latest pumpkin, unofficially, the largest grown in Happy Valley, which measures 14 feet around. All the surrounding vines contribute to the single pumpkin.

Last year's pumpkin weighed in at a whopping 1,255.5 pounds. Kristensen built a crane specifically to hoist the giant gourd into his truck.

ive years ago, Happy Valley resident Gary Kristensen's wife made a simple request.

"Lindsey told me I needed to grow some Halloween pumpkins for the kids," Kristensen said. "I said, 'if I'm going to do this.

let's go big.' I'd seen the big ones and thought I can do this."

Initially, Kristensen ordered seeds online for his new hobby. This year, Kristensen planted only three seeds. Of the two pumpkins that grew, one succumbed to aphids, but the other is on target to grow to over 1,400 pounds and measure over 14 feet around, which may be the largest pumpkin ever grown in Happy Valley.

"My truck measures 5 feet wide and I've always been able to get my pumpkins into the bed of the truck, but this one is already measuring 5 feet, it's close to not fitting. I may not be able to get it into my truck for the first time, I might have to rent a trailer,' Kristensen said.

Kristensen even built a crane to hoist the pumpkin into his truck. In years past, his pumpkins have been on display at Spring

Mountain Elementary School.

The fate of this giant gourd is set: Kristensen is giving it to his neighbor's flower shop in West Linn.

'It's nice when they have a smooth finish and bright color, like this one, because not very many of them look like this,' Kristensen said.



PHOTOS BY: SHELLEY MCFARLAND The giant pumpkin will make its way to West Linn

in the coming days.



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# Runner sets sights on 100-mile competition

## BY SHELLEY MCFARLAND

yle McDonald is setting his sights on a 100-mile, ultra-marathon.
The Clackamas High School graduate started running when he was a sophomore, but not on the school cross country team. Instead, McDonald just started running.

"I played"

football in high school and ran track my last year. I just started out running 10ks. I have slowly progressed to just keep going further and further," McDonald said. "My mom is a runner and she kept signing me up for these races. I fell in love

with doing them."
In 2017, McDonald ran the Silver Falls competition, which is a 50k, or 31 miles. Marathons measure just over 26 miles, ultramarathons start at 50k and can extend to vast distances. Currently, the 2009 graduate works nights yet finds time to run every day—anywhere from two to 13 miles



I just want to keep pushing myself as far as I can. It's awesome being a long-distance runner. It keeps me in shape, lowers my stress, and is a good way to push myself to the limits," McDonald said. "It has its challenges and hard moments, but everything does. I feel it makes me different and unique because not too many people have the urge or drive to compete in it."

McDonald is scheduled

to run the Portland Marathon in October and the Silver Falls Ultra in November. He hopes to beat his previous time on both runs. Last year, at the Portland Marathon, he had a time of 3:09 which he beat with a personal record of 3:07 at the Eugene Marathon. He hopes to break three hours which is a qualifier for the Boston Marathon.

For the future, he has his eyes set to run the 100-mile Badwater Ultramarathon in Death Valley, California.



# The Flower Man of Happy Valley

Donald
McGillivary
remembered
for his green
thumb

### BY SHELLEY MCFARLAND

or over 44 years, Donald McGillivary kept his garden on Southeast Ridgecrest Road blooming and bursting with color.
Nicknamed the "Flower Man of Happy Valley," McGillivary earned numerous awards and recognitions for his gardening skills.

"My parents moved to Happy Valley in 1972. When they arrived to the valley, it was pretty empty. There were rolling hills and farms below their house," said Dianne Boyer, McGillivary's daughter. "We used to sled down Ridgecrest when it snowed. I didn't grow up there, but my brother did until he graduated. There were lots of farms, no park and a very small school."

McGillivary, a postman in Southeast Portland, earned the Golden Spade Award in 1997 from the City of Happy Valley. He started all his plants and vegetables from seed, including annuals like petunias and mari-

golds. In the summer, McGillivary shared his vegetables, berries and apples with neighbors. People from all over the valley received produce from him.

"Dad had a huge apple tree right on Ridgecrest. In the fall, the apples would roll down the hill to the neighbors. They loved making applesauce from that tree," Boyer said. "He also loved roses and dahlias. The Rose Society would come and tour his yard often. I would take buckets of roses to work to share, and he had a huge dahlia collection, too. Some were as

big as a dinner plate."
McGillivary died on Aug. 1, with his family at his side. He is survived by his wife, Mil-

dred, and children Dianne, Sand, and Ron. "I think my dad would love to be remembered as the 'Flower Man of Happy Valley.' Everyone enjoyed his property as they drove up and down the hill. Many times people would stop to visit him as he watered his plants. It was absolutely breathtaking in the summer," Boyer said.

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# **DOUBLES**Fundraising Efforts

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# LAY OF THE LAND

Longtime residents witness big changes to Happy Valley over years

### BY SHELLEY **MCFARLAND**

hen Lynette Malmin was in high school, her father, Bill Roberts, bought a country retreat in Happy Valley. The city was new and the one room house, built in 1942. provided the Roberts family with a weekend getaway from the hustle and bustle of Southeast Portland, where their main home was located.

"My dad called it 'The Ranch,' and it was a place for him to bring the family and take care of his horses," Lynette said. "This was way out. No one wanted to come out this far; it was a day trip. That's how people looked at it.'

The Robertses would come out to the property on weekends to enjoy picnics, work the garden, and ride the horses. At the time, there was little traffic on Southeast 132nd Avenue. Kids played with toy cars in the street; it was quiet.

'My dad had this old red tractor, which we still have in the garage, and the grandkids would come out and play on it," Lynette said. "The tradition of this property is about family. Our focus has been on making memo-

The '44 Farmall Cub tractor belonged to the previous owners of the property, the Framptons, who called their site "The Rancho."

The property, the tractor and the surrounding landscape have changed over the years. In the 1970s, Lynette's father converted the one-room house into a larger home, complete with indoor plumbing. The house was remodeled further in 1984. Today, Lynette and her husband, Dan Malmin, own the land, having bought it from Lynette's mother. Lynette is retired



Not so long ago, "The Bowl" of Happy Valley was dotted with horse farms atop rolling green hills. Happy Valley Park featured a horse trail, stables and riding arena.

from office work and Dan is a retired stone and brick mason who owned Bear Masonry for 30 years.

We moved out here, and we built on further. I did everything in this house. I pounded every nail and laid every brick. The house was set inside and we framed over the top," Dan said. "It was kind of fun, and I'm very proud of it. I tore out the old house and dug it down and built everything back in.

The Malmins remember when Happy Valley was mostly rolling hills, agriculture, sparse houses, and openness. Happy Valley Park was vastly different, too.

'When we first moved here, city hall was in the Rebstock house and there was one part-time, paid secretary. The park had outhouses and a guy was paid to mow the grass. There were a couple of baseball diamonds, which were awful to play on until they were mowed," Dan said.

"I love to see the park now. There were horses all around here. On the hillside where there are houses now, there were 200 horses that lived there. Big horse ranches and hobby farms. The whole walking path around the park was a sawdust horse track, and where the dog runs are now, there was a riding arena," he

Dan explains that when the sewer was installed in Happy Valley, it was like a rubber band snapped and development began. Being close to Portland created an ideal rural location for residents who liked the open spaces, yet worked in Portland.

"We lived in Happy Valley before it was cool to live in Happy Valley. We're so proud of this community, he said. "We're glass-half-full people. All the events that the city puts on are great, especially the Fourth of Ju-



Lynette and Dan Malmin have seen Happy Valley grow and prosper. The couple remembers a time when the valley had more horses than people.

ly. We've been watching the fireworks out here since the 70s. We'd come out here on the Fourth and watch the fireworks from the park.'

The Malmins raised their two children, Beau and Jasmine, in Happy Valley. Beau returned years later to make Happy Valley his home and to raise his family. The Malmins continue to cherish the land they love. They garden on the area Lynette's father cultivated and raise their three horses and Scottish highland cow in the

"We don't really farm so much. We have the land and we have the horses, and because we have the horses we have the manure, and because we have the manure we have a garden because we want to eat healthy," Dan said. "We love the land and the history of the land. There are a lot of really great memories here."

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### **October 2018 Library Events**

The Library will be closed Columbus Day, Oct. 8

### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

### Sign & Sing: Play & Learn, For ages 2-5

Wednesday, October 3, 10:15 a.m. Sing, dance and learn some signs with Shira from Tiny Talkers.

### Build with Blair, For PreK-5

Wednesday, October 3, 4:00-5:30 p.m. Join Blair each month for a different LEGO building challenge.

### Sign & Play: Play & Learn, For ages 0-24 months

Wednesdays, October 3, 10, 17 & 24 1 p.m. For ages 0-24 months. Songs, bubbles and movement make learning ASL signs fun for everyone.

### **Science Saturdays:** Potions Class, For PreK-5

Saturday, October 6, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Explore all things gooey, sticky and slimy as we mix up some science fun!

### **Homeschool Club: Pumpkin Science, For PreK-5**

Wednesday, October 10, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Just for homeschoolers! Explore a pumpkin from inside out, then experiment with it

### Stretch, Dance, Play: Play & Learn, For ages 2-5

Wednesday, Oct 10, 10:15 a.m.

Kick off your socks and shoes and join Creative Movement educator Iris Nason as you explore dance, yoga singing, sign language and play



October is a busy month at the library with a variety of festive activities encouraging kids to create, learn and explore.

### Craft Club: Leaf Art, PreK-5

Saturday, October 13, 10:15-11:15 a.m. It's a fall celebration! Use nature's bounty (leaves!) to make some amazing art.

### Family Night, For all ages

Tuesday, October 16, 6:15 p.m. Brad Storysong shares stories new and old, all with a little bit of fright!

### Dance Time, For kids under 5

Saturday, October 20, 10:15 a.m. Silly songs and more from local musician Kelli Welli.

### Let's LEGO, For PreK-5

Saturday, October 20, 1:30-3 p.m. We'll supply the LEGOs; you bring your ideas!

### Monster Mash, All ages

Wednesday, October 31, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Put on your costume and come to trickor-treat at the Library! Decorate a bag and then go on a ghost hunt for some treats.

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### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

### **Pinochle Club**

Oct. 1 & 15, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Join our friendly group on the first and third Monday of the month to play this fun and challenging card game.

### **Crafternoon: Dough Ornaments**

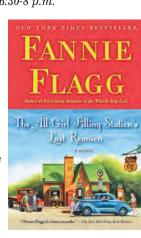
Tuesday, Oct. 2, 3:30-5 p.m.

Daniela Mahoney will show how to use dough and spices to create traditional holiday decorations, with instructions and boxes to take them home to bake in an oven.

### Happy Valley Library Book Group

Thursday, Oct. 4, 6:30-8 p.m.

Read the book selection for the month and come to the library to discuss the book with other readers. This month we're reading The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg. Did you like it or not? Did something surprise you or make you think twice? Come share your thoughts!



### **Mah Jongg**

Fridays, 1-4 p.m.

Those who enjoy playing American Mah Jongg are invited to join our fun and friendly group! Be sure to bring your 2018 National Mah Jongg League cards.

### **Creative Nonfiction Writing Group**

Sundays, Oct. 7 and 21, 3:30-5 p.m.

Looking for advice, support, or encouragement with your writing project? This group of writers meets to exchange critique pages, receive feedback, and ask questions. There will also be opportunity to discuss goals and share insights into the writing process. Sign up at the reference desk.

### **Note Night**

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Enjoy some live music while you browse for books or sit and savor the sounds. This month features acoustic guitarist Peter Bush performing an eclectic assortment of originals mixed with the music of Leo Kottke, Eric Clapton, and Mason Williams.

### String-Along

Sundays, Oct. 14 and 28, 2-5 p.m.

Bring your acoustic guitar, fiddle, ukulele or other stringed instrument to the Happy Valley Library and share some tunes with other musicians. Adults of all skill levels are invited to drop in and play some American traditional Bluegrass or Folk music in a casual, jam-style setting. Bring a song you know



The library is offering several activities this month that are sure to capture your interests. A Creative Nonfiction Writing Group allows participants to delve deeper in the writing process.

### **AARP Talk: Frauds and Scams**

Thursday, Oct. 18, 10:30-12 p.m.

American consumers lose billions of dollars to frauds and scams each year. Studies show the hardest hit are often people over 50. Learn how you can stay safe and avoid becoming a victim.

### **Classic Movie Night**

Thursday, Oct. 18, 6-7:45 p.m.

Relive classic films from the silver screen or enjoy them for the first time. Casual moviegoers and film buffs alike are welcome to come and share a cinematic experience at the library. This month's selection is a 1940s espionage thriller from a motion picture master of suspense. Contact the library for movie title information.

### **Teddy Roosevelt Show**

Saturday, Oct. 20, 4-5 p.m.

Joe Wiegand is considered the world's premiere Theodore Roosevelt reprisor. As an actor and historian, Joe's portrayals of Theodore Roosevelt in live performances and in television and film have people wondering if TR has come back to life.

### **Genealogy Club**

Monday, Oct. 22, 2-4 p.m.

Searching for family roots? All are welcome to come and share questions, strategies, and organizing tips. Insights are discovered and pathways revealed as we attempt to solve the mysteries of our ancestors' elusive

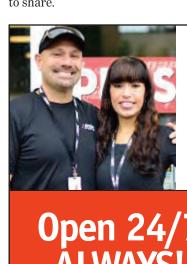
### **Board Game Connection**

Thursday, Oct. 25, 6-8 p.m.

Gather around a table and connect with friends new and old over board games. Learn a new game or bring a personal favorite and teach someone else! New games will be featured every month.







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# FALL SAFETY TIPS

Make this Halloween season safe and fun for kids

As the fall season approaches, Harvest Festivals and Halloween bring with it an opportunity to talk about some safety tips, allowing us all to have a safe and fun season. The National Crime Prevention Council provides some great tips on, "Playing it safe on Halloween, Pointers for Parents."

### **Making Safe Costumes**

■ Check that costumes are flame-retardant so the little ones aren't in danger near candlelit jack-o-lanterns and other fire hazards.

■ Keep costumes short to prevent trips, falls,

and other bumps in the night.

Encourage kids to wear comfortable shoes.

■ Try makeup instead of a mask. Masks can be hot and uncomfortable and, more importantly, they can obstruct a child's vision—a dangerous thing when kids are crossing streets and going up and down steps.

■ Make sure kids wear light colors and/or put reflective tape on their costumes.

Preparing Ghosts and Goblins for Their Tricks and Treats

■ Make sure older kids go out with friends. Younger children should be accompanied by an adult.

■ Set a time limit for children to trick-or treat. Togeth- you never know what creature



er, map out a safe route so you knowwhere they'll be. Remind them not to take shortcuts through backyards, alleys, or

playing fields. ■ Remind kids strange house or car.

Steve Campbell ■ Try to get kids to trick-ortreat while it is still light out. If it is dark, make

sure the children are carrying flashlights that work.

"Unhaunting" Your House and Neighborhood ■ Welcome trick-or-treaters

at home by turning on your exterior lights. ■ Remove objects from your yard that might present a haz-

ard to visitors. ■ Drive slowly all eveningmay suddenly cross your path. ■ Report any suspicious or criminal activity to your local police or sheriff's department.

### **Pranks That Can Be a Little Tricky**

Halloween is notoriously a night of pranks— toilet papering a house or filling mailboxes with shaving cream are not unusual. Try to get a handle on

your children's plans before they go out. Explain to them that while you want them to have a good time, some tricks could hurt other people or vandalize property. Emphasize that you disapprove of vandal-

### **Eating the Treats**

■ Kids need to know not to eat their treats until they get home. One way to keep trickor treaters from digging in while they're still out is to feed them a meal or substantial snack beforehand.

■ Check out all treats at not to enter a home in a well-lighted place.

> ■ What to eat? Only unopened candies and other treats that are in original wrappers. Don't forget to inspect fruit and homemade goodies for anything suspi-

### **Consider This**

Parents and kids can avoid trick-or-treating troubles entirely by organizing a **Halloween costume party** with treats, games, contests, music, scary stories, and much more. Make your Halloween party the place



OCTOBER 2018

LOOK. LISTEN. LEARN.

# OCTOBER is Fire **Prevention Month!**

his year's theme is "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere." Look for places that fire could start. Take a good look around your home and identify potential fire hazards and work to make the situation safer. Listen for the sound of the smoke alarm. You could have only minutes to escape safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Go to your outside meeting place, which should be a safe distance from the home and where everyone should meet. Learn two ways out of every room and make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily and are free of clutter.

During October, please join us at an open house for a station tour, and learn fire and life safety information.

#### ■ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1:00-3:00 P.M.

Happy Valley Station 6 12901 SE King Road, Happy Valley

#### ■ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1:00-3:00 P.M.

**Damascus Station 19** 20100 SE Hwy 212, Damascus

## Teen tutors volunteers needed

Happy Valley Library is accepting applications for both teen volunteers (9-12th grade) and students (K-5th grade) for the Teen Tutors program.

This program matches a teen volunteer as a reading buddy with a younger student. The pair meets weekly on Mondays, Oct.15, 22, 29 and Nov. 5 for a 30-minute

session (4:15 - 4:45 p.m. or 4:45 - 5:15 p.m.) Volunteers and students must complete an application online at happyvalleyor.gov/library. Space is limited to seven volunteers and 14 students.

For more information, please contact library staff at 503-783-3454 or youthlibrary@happyvalleyor.gov.

# **UPCOMING SCHOOL LEVY:** questions and answers from NCSD

### Q. Why was the levy referred to the November 2018 ballot for voters' consideration?

The State of Oregon provides most of the funding for local schools. Since 2003, the state has allocated less and less of the state's general fund for public education. In 2003, K-12 education was  $\sim$ 45% of the state budget. By 2017, K-12 education had dropped to ~39% of the state budget leaving local school districts short of funds (source: Legislative Fiscal office). As a result, North Clackamas Schools anticipate a \$17 million operating shortfall to maintain current programs beginning in 2019.

### O. What is a Levy?

It is an amount which, if passed by voters, would be collected



rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation to each property owner (residential and commercial) within the school district's boundary. The levy would require a simple majority (50% + 1) to pass and must meet validation requirements.

### Q. How much would the levy cost if passed?

If the measure passes, the cost to individual taxpayers would be up to \$1.63 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Homes with a median assessed value of \$221,800 would pay up to \$30 per montn.

If the measure does not pass, the through a property tax charged at a additional assessment of up to \$1.63 per \$1,000 assessed value would not be made.

The cost to each property owner would vary based on a property's assessed value and real market value as determined by the county as-

#### Q. In 2016, voters approved a capital construction bond for North Clackamas Schools; can that money be used to cover this shortfall?

No. Bonds are used for new school construction, renovation of buildings, and land purchases. The 2016 bond is funding construction of new schools, along with repairs and improvements to existing schools.

Levies are used to help pay for day to day operations. Levies pay for programs and services that are either not funded, or not fully funded by the state. If the levy

passes, funds would be used for teaching positions or school days. No other funding sources for staff positions are available to the district, so they were not considered.

If the levy does not pass, there would not be an additional tax assessment, and the teaching positions and/or school days would be eliminated.

### Q. How did NCSD end up in this situation given Oregon's strong economy?

Despite Oregon's relatively strong economy, the legislature has allocated less and less of the state's budget to K-12 education. In 2005, the percentage of the budget allocated to education was 2017, it's ~39% (source: Legislative Fiscal Office). Nearly all local

school funding comes from the state.

#### Q. What would happen if the levy does not pass?

If the levy does not pass, NCSD would face a ~\$17 million gap between its expenses and its revenues beginning with the 2019-2020 school year. This shortfall could not be bridged without laying off up to 170 teachers, shortening the school year by up to 34 days, or a combination of both.

#### Q. Is there a place people can go to get more info about this potential levy?

Yes, NCSD has created a webpage that serves as a way for peopie to learn more www.nciack.k12. or.us/levyinfo2018.

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# Overnight grad party preparations have begun

Facebook group started for families MCFARLAND of CHS 2019 graduating class

2019 GRADUATION

www.facebook.com/

Get involved and help with

the 2019 Graduation party.

Join our discussion group at:

groups/920504398141124

**INFORMATION** 

Did you know that prom and graduation night pose the highest risk of injury for high school seniors?

By planning ahead, you can help keep kids safe, while they still have fun. A Facebook group has been started for families of the 2019 graduating class.

Facebook postings will include:

- graduation night party details
- planned meeting dates
- fundraising events
- donation needs
- volunteer requests
- Q&A forum
- idea sharing

The party is designed for students to have a safe and sober

celebration after graduation ceremonies. The annual event includes transportation to a secret location where graduates can enjoy activities, win prizes, and celebrate with their classmates in a drug- and alcohol-free environment.

With committed parents and a supportive community, we can provide a spectacular, once-in-a-lifetime event for our graduates and bring classmates together for one last celebration," said organizer Karen Vaughn. "Let's get together as a community to make another great year for our seniors and their futures.' FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/groups/920504398141124

EMAIL: Chs2019gradparty@gmail.com

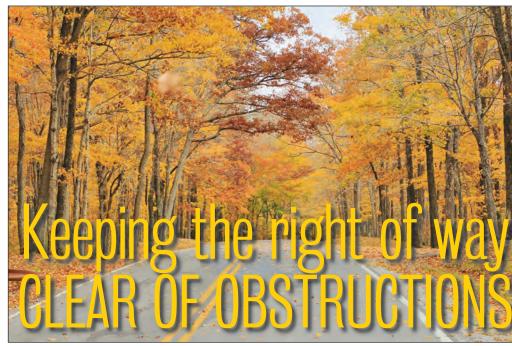
Thanks for creating another safe year, not just for graduating seniors but the entire Happy Valley community.

"With committed parents and a supportive community, we can provide a spectacular, once-in-alifetime event for our graduates and bring classmates together for

celebration," – Karen Vaughn

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Property owners are encouraged to be proactive in clearing overgrown vegetation around traffic signs and pathways in preparation for the upcoming weather changes.

Fall has arrived. Leaves will be falling soon, it will get dark earlier and chances are poor weather is on the way. Now is a good time for property owners to make sure they are doing their part in

keeping the right of way clear from vegetation and trip hazards.

Property owners are responsible for maintaining the public right of way adjacent to their property, including the sidewalk, planter strip (area between the street and sidewalk) and the shoulder of roadways without sidewalks Overgrown trees and shrubs endanger everyone when they block the view of traf-

fic signs, or block a pathway or sidewalk. Trimming this vegetation and caring for the street trees will help enhance neighborhood safety.

To ensure safe passage for everyone, tree limbs over streets and sidewalks must meet the following standards:

■ Tree limbs over a sidewalk must be at least 7 ½ feet above the surface.

■ Tree limbs over a residential street must be at least 11 feet above the

■ Tree limbs over an arterial street must be at least 14 feet above the surface.

If you would like to verify whether your street is a residential or arterial street or to report a potential violation, please

contact us at 503-783-3820. Property owners are also responsible for maintaining sidewalks adjacent to their property. They must ensure that cracks, breaks, lifts, debris, garbage

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Thank you for your assistance in keeping our streets and sidewalks safe.





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# Slugs and stems: Fall into Gardening classes slated set for Oct. 6

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Master Gardeners invite the public to
their Fall into Gardening series starting at 9
a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at the
Milwaukie Center, 5440 S.E.
Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie.

Master Gardeners, trained volunteers educated through the Oregon State University Extension Service, will offer classes, instruction, displays, and soil pH testing throughout the day. Classes are structured in a 25-minute format, a trademarked OSU program. This year's classes will focus on planting, drought gardening, fall cleanup and pests.

Class titles include: "New Research on Planting Techniques," "Successful Vegetable Gardening in Times of Drought," "Fall and Winter Diseases and Pests in the Home Garden," and "Fall Cleanup in the Perennial Bed."

The featured keynote speaker will be Oregon State University professor Gail Langellotto, a noted entomologist and director of the Garden Ecology Lab, who will share her research on bees in area gardens during her presentation titled "What Gardeners Should Know About Native Pollinators." Attendees will learn about pollinating bees and wasps, and how to make their gardens attractive to bees.

Classes start at 9 a.m., but Master Gardener diagnosticians will be on hand at 8:30 a.m. to help attendees with plant identification or pest and disease questions.

For more information, including class schedule, visit www.cmastergardeners.org.

**City Council Work Session** 



Scheduled keynote speaker Dr. Gail Langellotto is seen collecting bees for her study of metro-Portland area gardens.



What to do with roots before planting and other topics will be discussed at the Master Gardener event.

City Hall Council Chamber

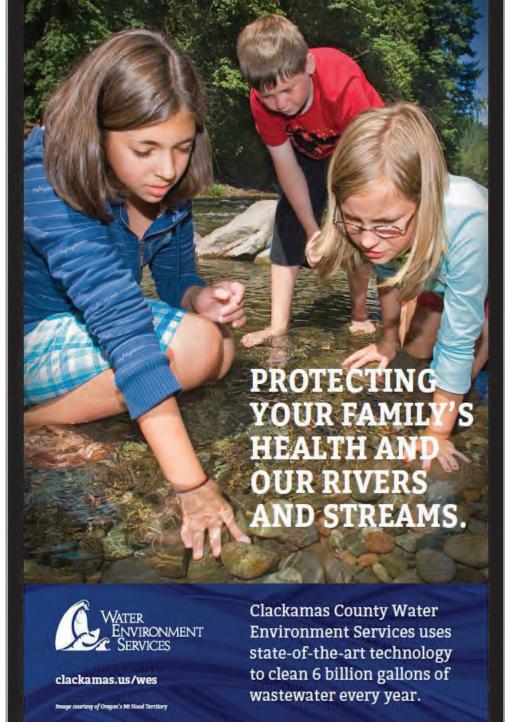
### FALL INTO GARDENING

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### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR OCTOBER 2018**

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	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
4	Friends of the Library	2 p.m.	Happy Valley Library
8	Parks Advisory Committee	6 p.m.	City Hall
9	Planning Commision Meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
	Happy Valley Garden Club	9:30 a.m.	Happy Valley Baptist Church
	Fine Arts Photographer, Deb Stoner wil prese	nt Still Life Photography	Flora & Fauna
	Contact Priscilla Robinson at pwellsrobinson	@aol.com for details	
11	Traffic and Public Safety Meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
15	Youth Council	6 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
16	City Council Work Session	6 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
18	Public Art Committee	5:30 p.m.	City Hall
20	Leap Drop Day	10 a.m 3 p.m.	Public Works Building*
	Harvest Fest	11 a.m 3 p.m.	Happy Valley Park
23	Library Board Meeting	6 p.m.	Happy Valley Library
24	<b>HV Business Alliance Meeting</b>	7:30 a.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
31	Design Review Board	7 p.m.	City Hall Council Chamber
Nove	ember 2018		
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*Pu	blic Works Building, 13910 SE Ridgecres	st Road, adjacent to I	lappy Valley Park

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# **Second annual Hoops for Hope BY SHELLEY**

Justin An, Charlie Dunn, Adam Sigala, Mason Radich, Braylon Knoerzer, Ben McFarland, Eric Kristensen, and Nathan Chang all third graders in Happy Valley competed during the day.

On Sept. 9, kids from all over the area competed in the second annual Hoops for Hope, a local, nonprofit basketball tournament that provides scholarships to Happy Valley kids for extracurricular activities like sports, music and art.

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"From our perspective, the event was a huge success. We had more than 300 kids compete, compared to 240 last year. We believe more than 1,500 people attended the event, which is also significantly higher than last year. Most importantly for us, we saw the entire community come out and have a great time together," said John Barhoum, Hoops for Hope director. "From a financial perspective, we raised significantly more money than last year. We're excited to be in a position to help kids in our community with the money raised.'

For more information, visit: www.hvhoopsforhope.org.

"I saw kids from all walks of life create new friendships and strengthen existing ones And I can already see all the good this scholarship fund will provide. ... We have a special community, and I'm blessed to be a part of it."

— John Barhoum, Hoops for Hope director



Hoops for Hope Happy Valley board members and organizers John Barhoum, Wendy Wilson and Sharon Koester kept the tournament on task.



Team La Familia competed in a fierce game with dozens of cheering onlookers. The event had more than 300 kids playing 3-on-3 style basketball.



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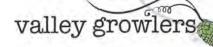
Meeting the 4th Wednesday of every month. See you on October 24th. Happy Valley City Hall 7:30 to 9 a.m.

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### Employee Spotlight

City of Happy Valley



A new staff member joins the City of Happy Valley's Community Services Team. The city aims to continue delivering informative and topical news to citizens about the most up to date happenings around town.

### Stephanie Warneke

### **Communications Specialist**

As Communications Specialist, Stephanie Warneke is responsible for creating and disseminating information regarding events, news and other city-related activities to Happy Valley citizens and the public. In her role, Stephanie provides leadership in the design of the city's main publications and is a member of the Community Services team.

Before joining the City of Happy Valley in September 2018, Stephanie served as the Community Engagement Director at Trillium Family Services, Oregon's largest provider of mental and behavioral healthcare for children and families. While the majority of her work was marketing focused, she initially began her career at the non-profit over 11 years ago as a Child and Family Therapist, working directly with youth experiencing crisis. Her clinical background has provided her with invaluable insight and empathy for people and instilled the importance of creating strong, healthy communities

Stephanie grew up in Oregon and is currently a Happy Valley resident. She enjoys Cross-Fit, the Oregon coast, cheering on Gonzaga University basketball (Go Zags!) and spending time with her husband and two children.

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We are always looking for stories about members of our community including:

- Questions or concerns
- Heartfelt stories
- Events in our city
- Residence going above and beyond
- Talented kids
- Extraordinary experiences

Please contact us with any news small or big in Happy Valley. We want to hear about it.

### **Stephanie Warneke**

City of Happy Valley **Communication Specialist** SWarneke@happyvalleyor.gov 503-783-3823



### **Shelley McFarland** Pamplin Media

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### Free drop off for seasonal yard debris keeping our streets clean one leaf at a time

Fall is in the air. Soon our beautiful, green city will be a riot of wonderful fall colors... and then there will be a lot of yard work to do. To make this job easier for you, Happy Valley's Public Works Department is offering two days this fall when you can drop off your yard debris at no cost to you.

City residents will have two Saturday opportunities to drop off seasonal yard debris (leaves, woody debris and grass clippings) at the Public Works building for free recycling.

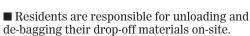
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Members of East County Windwalkers pose for a group photo during a recent outing. The award-winning group is hosting an upcoming walk slated to take place in Happy Valley.

# Happy Valley Volkswalk In conjunction with the Happy Valley Harvest Fest

What is a Volkswalk? It is a noncompetitive, self-guided walk done at your own pace. It's a fun, healthy activity with a club, family, friends, or on your own. This walk is hosted by the East County Windwalkers. This active club meets for weekly walks, quarterly business meetings, social events, community service, charitable giving and more.

### **Cost/Registration/Pets:**

- All events are FREE!! Enthusiastic walkers track their events, distances, and special-category challenges in log booklets. These walkers pay a \$3 fee for each event.
- Each walker must register and carry a start card and return to the finish point. New walkers are welcome. No memberships required.

### **VOLKSWALK**

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018 START TIME: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

FINISH BY: 3 p.m. **LOCATION:** Happy Valley Park (South end by large play structure)

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### **Contacts/Information:**

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# Help plan the future of the Pleasant Valley/North Carver area

he City of Happy Valley is planning the future of the Pleasant Valley/ North Carver (PV/NC) area. A new plan will lay out a vision for the long-term development of the area, including land uses, transportation, schools, and parks (see map for project area). This document is called a Comprehensive Plan. Happy Valley has a proud heritage as a planned growth community. Creating a comprehensive plan ensures that future development will serve community needs but we need your help.

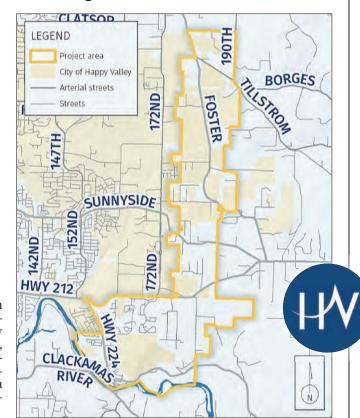
The comprehensive plan process will involve gathering ideas from property owners, the general public, neighboring cities and counties, and other stakeholders. The City will form a Technical Advisory Committee and has

established a diverse, 13-member Communitv Advisorv Committee to help devel-

op the plan and reach out to the community.

Upcoming in-person and online workshops will give community members plenty of opportunities to help shape what the plan will look like. Two events this fall include the following:

■ Information table and input activity at the Happy Valley Fred Meyer at 17005 SE Sunnyside Rd on Satur-



Input from the community is encouraged as a new plan outlines long-term development in the area.

day, October 13 from 11 am

Pleasant Valley North Carver

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

■ Information table and input activity at the Harvest Fest at Happy Valley Park on Saturday, October 20 from 11 am - 3 pm.

Please stop by to learn more and weigh in. We look forward to hearing from

For more information, visit: www.happyvalleyor.gov/business/pvnc, or contact Michael D. Walter, AICP, Economic & Community Development Director at (503) 783-3839 or email michaelw@happyvalleyor.gov



Residents from Happy Valley came together in September for the city's inaugural hiking event exploring the Pacific Coast Trail. The city is hoping to organize a similar event next year.

# **Pacific Crest Trail Day Hike**

This past month, the City of Happy Valley took registered hikers to Mount. Hood for a day hike exploring the Pacific Crest Trail! With a full bus in tow and trail mix in pockets, hikers set out to tackle 10.02 miles on the PCT starting at Frog Lake and finishing at Timberline Lodge. The hike was split up into groups, allowing hikers the ability to choose how far they wanted to travel.

Although fall weather has been creeping in on the Pacific Northwest, cooler temperatures and cloudy skies could not stop this group! Historic Pacific Crest Trail markers lined the trail as hikers immersed themselves in the abundant flora and fauna of the first 4.8 miles of the PCT. While birds chirped, and morning dew melted away, hikers enjoyed 360-degree scenic, wooded views. Those climbing to the finish line at Timberline Lodge continued to make their way through



Participants of the hike stop to take a scenic photo before heading back on the trails. The day concluded with relaxing by the fire and refueling with food and beverage.

dense, wooded forest trails towards the whitewater river canyon. The terrain became more challenging, as hikers finished trekking uphill through sand. From here Timberline Lodge was barely visible with the end in sight!

Hikers finished for the day

at Timberline Lodge slightly damp and dusty, on the backpatio fire pit warming their toes and changing into fresh socks. With good food and drinks they ended the day swapping stories of their experiences on the trail that afternoon. What an amazing day!

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## Notice of changes to Natural Resource Protection permitting for properties within the city limits of Happy Valley

Contractors, Developers and Engineering Firms:

Natural Resource Protection such as Water Quality
Resource Areas (WQRA)
and Habitat Conservation Areas (HCA) require setbacks from
wetlands and waterways. To simplify permitting and consolidate resources, effective immediately the City of Happy Valley will be administering the Water Quality Resource
Areas requirements for properties within
Happy Valley city limits.

All applicants with projects inside the Happy Valley City limits, or about to annex to the City as part of their development, will now apply directly to the City of Happy Valley for Natural Resource Protection review and approval under Happy Valley Code Section 16 34

All applicants within Clackamas County will apply directly to the local city or as designated in the chart.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE PROGRAMS, CONTACT:

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Location (properties within)	Threshold	Permit/Review Administered By
City of	Water Quality Resource Areas located on or within 200' of property	City of Happy Valley
Happy Valley	Mapped Habitat Conservation Area (HCA)	City of Happy Valley
WES's service area (excluding	Water Quality Resource Areas located on or within 200' of property	WES
Happy Valley & Rivergrove)	Mapped Habitat Conservation Area (HCA)	Clackamas County Planning
City of	Water Quality Resource Areas located on or within 200' of property	City of Rivergrove
Rivergrove	Mapped Habitat Conservation Area (HCA)	City of Rivergrove
Unincorporated areas of Clackamas County (within the UGB	Water Quality Resource Areas located on or within 200' of property	Clackamas County Planning
and/or the Metro Service Boundary & outside WES' service area)	Mapped Habitat Conservation Area (HCA)	Clackamas County Planning
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